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Voting Modernization Board

Modernizing Voting Equipment in California

DATE: September 27, 2005

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters (05255)

FROM:

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SUBJECT: VMB Actions from September 23, 2005 Meeting

The following are the action items from the September 23, 2005 meeting of the Voting Modernization Board:

- 1. The Board adopted the July 27, 2005 Actions & Meeting Minutes.
- The Board voted unanimously to extend the deadline for counties to submit their Project Documentation Plans to the Board to January 1, 2007, and to require counties who have not submitted Project Documentation Plans by December 31, 2005, to submit quarterly status reports to the Board.
- 3. The Board voted to approve Del Norte County's Project Documentation Plan and will issue a Funding Award in the amount of \$164,420.41. The approval is contingent upon amendment of the contract between the county and the vendor to reflect the Secretary of State's August 3, 2005 directive regarding HAVA compliant voting systems. The amended language must address the concerns of the Secretary of State, Del Norte County, and Sequoia Voting Systems, Inc. Should this matter not be resolved by November 15, 2005, the VMB approval of the plan would be rescinded and Del Norte County must reappear before the VMB for future consideration.
- 4. The Board approved Solano County's Phase 1 Project Documentation Plan and issued Phase 1 Funding Award in the amount of \$1,318,533.00.
- 5. The Board requested staff to develop additional legal analysis on the question of what constitutes an expansion of an existing system for presentation to the Board at the October 17, 2005 meeting.

These actions and a copy of the official transcripts for this meeting will be available soon on the Prop 41 website at: http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/vma/home.html.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at (916) 653-5144. Thank you.